



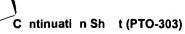
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Advisory Action		09/403,487	OKAMOTO ET AL.	
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The MAILING DATE f this c	mmunication app	ears on the cover sheet with the	corresp ndence add	ress
THE REPLY FILED 14 July 2003 FAII Therefore, further action by the applicational rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 matcondition for allowance; (2) a timely file Examination (RCE) in compliance with	ant is required to a ly <u>only</u> be either: (1 ed Notice of Appea	void abandonment of this applic) a timely filed amendment whi	cation. A proper reply ch places the applica	y to a tion in
	PERIOD FOR R	EPLY [check either a) or b)]		
a) The period for reply expires 3 month				
no event, however, will the statutory ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN TI 706.07(f).	period for reply expire HE FIRST REPLY WA	Advisory Action, or (2) the date set for later than SIX MONTHS from the mail S FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF	ing date of the final rejection. THE FINAL REJECTION.	on. See MPEP
Extensions of time may be obtained under fee have been filed is the date for purposes of fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1 (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any re imely filed, may reduce any earned patent term	determining the period) the expiration date of ply received by the Off	of extension and the corresponding an the shortened statutory period for repl ice later than three months after the m	nount of the fee. The appr y originally set in the final	opriate extension Office action; or
 A Notice of Appeal was filed on 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extens 		•		
2. The proposed amendment(s) w	ill not be entered b	ecause:		
(a) X they raise new issues that	would require furth	er consideration and/or search	(see NOTE below);	
(b) they raise the issue of new			,	
(c) they are not deemed to place issues for appeal; and/or	ce the application i	in better form for appeal by mat	erially reducing or sir	mplifying the
(d) they present additional cla	ims without cancel	ing a corresponding number of	finally rejected claim	S.
NOTE: See Continuation St	<u>heet</u> .			
3. Applicant's reply has overcome	the following reject	tion(s):		
 Newly proposed or amended cla canceling the non-allowable cla 	aim(s) would im(s).	l be allowable if submitted in a	separate, timely filed	amendment
 The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, application in condition for allow 			sidered but does NO	T place the
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT raised by the Examiner in the fi		cause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which were	e newly
7. For purposes of Appeal, the pro explanation of how the new or a	•	· · ·	• —	and an
The status of the claim(s) is (or	will be) as follows:			
Claim(s) allowed:				
Claim(s) objected to:				
Claim(s) rejected: 1-3,6 and 7.				
Claim(s) withdrawn from consid	deration: <u>4,5 and 8-</u>	<u>22</u> .		
8. The proposed drawing correctio	n filed on is	a) approved or b) disap	provedlyby the Exami	ner.
9. Note the attached Information D	isclosure Stateme	nt(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s).		
10. Other:		CUE	POLICE OF STATE S	MMER 200



Continuation of 2. NOTE: The amendment to claim 1, reciting that in a surface of the first substrate incoming light to the liquid crystal layer becomes linearly polarized light in arbitrary directions in a visible wavelength range, raises new issues requiring further search and consideration.

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Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The claims as finally rejected were not allowable over the prior art.